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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS OVIP (KIM DONG JO)

SUBJECT: ROK FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON

1. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER LHO SHIN YONG TOLD ME HE HAD RECEIVED A CABLE FROM FOREIGN MINISTER KIM DONG JO CONCERNING THE LATTER'S PROPOSED VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, KIM HAS BEEN ATTENDING MEETINGS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA AND IS RETURNING TO KOREA VIA THE UNITED STATES.
2. KIM ARRIVES NEW YORK MAY 16 AND PLANS TO BE IN WASHINGTON FROM MAY 17 TO THE 24TH. HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER ANY TIME DURING HIS VISIT. ROK AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SEEK AN APPOINTMENT.
3. I TOLD LHO THE SECRETARY WAS EXTREMELY BUSY THESE DAYS AND MEETING ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE WAS VERY DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE BUT I WOULD REPORT THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S DESIRES. DEPARTMENT WILL APPRECIATE KIM DESIRES TO MEET WITH THE SECRETARY ON MATTERS WHICH I HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING WITH ROKG RECENTLY AND REPORTING SEPARATELY.
4. IF MEETING WITH SECRETARY IS NOT POSSIBLE, DEPARTMENT

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SHOULD SO INFORM AMBASSADOR HAHM AS IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING

THAT IN SUCH CASE KIM WILL COME STRAIGHT BACK TO KOREA
WITHOUT STOPPING IN WASHINGTON.
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